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AIR FREIGHT UP 16.4% IN OCTOBER, 7.0% IN FIRST TEN MONTHS

WASHINGTON, D.C., November 25 — The U.S. scheduled airlines recorded a systemwide increase in air freight of 16.4% in October over October of 1982, and a 7% increase for the first 10 months of the year, the Air Transport Association reported today.

Domestic air freight in October was up 22.1% and domestic mail was up 8.9%. International air freight was up 8%, and international mail traffic gained 5.9%. Total domestic and international air cargo, including freight and mail, was up 14.8% in October.

In the first 10 months of this year, domestic freight was up 11%. Domestic mail traffic was up 5.1%. International freight traffic of the U.S. airlines was up 0.8% from the first 10 months of last year, and international mail was up 1.1%. Total systemwide air cargo for ATA airlines in the first 10 months was up 6.5%.

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## CARGO FLOWN IN SCHEDULED DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

### U.S. AIRLINE INDUSTRY

REVENUE TON-MILES
(In Thousands)

| | DOMESTIC OPERATIONS | | | INTERNATIONAL OPERATIONS | | | TOTAL | TOTAL |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | FREIGHT | MAIL | TOTAL | FREIGHT | MAIL | TOTAL | FREIGHT | CARGO |
| OCTOBER 1983 | 333,365 | 85,944 | 419,309 | 201,736 | 27,786 | 229,522 | 535,101 | 648,831 |
| OCTOBER 1982 | 273,026 | 78,944 | 351,970 | 186,836 | 26,238 | 213,074 | 459,862 | 565,044 |
| PERCENT CHANGE | 22.1 | 8.9 | 19.1 | 8.0 | 5.9 | 7.7 | 16.4 | 14.8 |
| 10 MONTHS 1983 | 2,915,142 | 821,727 | 3,736,869 | 1,700,820 | 252,187 | 1,953,007 | 4,615,962 | 5,689,876 |
| 10 MONTHS 1982 | 2,625,928 | 781,694 | 3,407,622 | 1,686,655 | 249,433 | 1,936,088 | 4,312,583 | 5,343,710 |
| PERCENT CHANGE | 11.0 | 5.1 | 9.7 | 0.8 | 1.1 | 0.9 | 7.0 | 6.5 |

NOTES: Carriers included: Aircal, Air Florida, Alaska, Aloha, American, Capitol, Delta, Eastern, Federal Express, Flying Tiger, Frontier, Hawaiian, Northwest, Ozark, Pan American, Piedmont, PSA, Republic, Trans World, United, USAir and Western. Continental data is not included for October and September.

Northwest data is not included in international figures.